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DA WARNS PUBLIC ABOUT THC GUMMIES, EDIBLES THAT CONTAIN TRACE AMOUNTS OF FENTANYL, HEROIN

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Feb. 24, 2023) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele, Whitpain Township Police Chief Kenneth Lawson, Montgomery Township Police Chief Scott Bendig and Hatfield Township Police Chief William Tierney warned the public today that fentanyl and heroin have been found in some THC gummies sold at three Tobacco Hut stores in Montgomery County, which has already caused two overdoses in the county. Thankfully, both individuals recovered.

After the two overdoses were reported to police, undercover detectives went to the Tobacco Hut store and purchased bags of the suspected brand "Delta 8 THC 600 MG Happy Cubes" in various flavors, which were then tested for illegal drugs. Two flavors—Juicy Pineapple and Blueberry Lemonade—were found to contain illegal drugs.

Last night, law enforcement executed search warrants on all Tobacco Hut stores in Montgomery County and all packages of Strictly Delta brand of "Delta 8 THC 600 MG Happy Cubes" were seized by law enforcement. Scanning this morning found the presence of fentanyl.

"Individuals should not consume any flavors of these Strictly Delta brand of CBD gummies. If anyone has any of these gummies, do not eat them. We need to get the word out that some of these packages contain deadly drugs—fentanyl and heroin," said Steele. "We don't yet know whether other items from the stores might be tainted. Testing is ongoing. We also don't know if this is a widespread issue but we are working with law enforcement at the local, state and federal levels to ascertain that."

"We would not have been able to test these items this rapidly without the analytical support and Ionscan technology provided by Lieutenant Colonel Max W. Furman Jr. and his team. Lt. Col. Furman is the Coordinator for the PA Counterdrug Joint Task Force of the Pennsylvanian National Guard."

Approved for release: Kevin R. Steele

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